



Signed and Filed: June 1, 2022

*Dennis Montali*

DENNIS MONTALI  
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re: ) Bankruptcy Case  
PG&E CORPORATION, ) No. 19-30088-DM  
 ) Chapter 11  
- and - ) Jointly Administered  
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, )  
Reorganized Debtors. )  
☐ Affects PG&E Corporation )  
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and )  
Electric Company )  
☒ Affects both Debtors )  
\* All papers shall be filed in )  
the Lead Case, No. 19-30088 (DM). )

**ORDER REGARDING DISCOVERY DISPUTE BETWEEN  
FIRE VICTIM TRUST AND PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP**

The court has reviewed the emails of May 24, 27 and 31, 2022, by and among counsel for the Fire Victim Trust ("FVT") and PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC"). This dispute between the FVT and PwC has thankfully been off the court's radar for over

1 nine months. Perhaps the court naively assumed the problems had  
2 been solved. Now it appears that the parties are still at odds.

3 There is the usual back and forth about what has been or  
4 has not been produced. What is surprising is the suggestion the  
5 FVT was silent for nearly six months after a September 1, 2021,  
6 production by PwC. If the reason was the pending appeal, then  
7 this court's denial of a stay pending appeal was meaningless.

8 Now the FVP wants to depose Mr. Le in the next few days.  
9 Over two weeks ago PwC declined to provide the FVT with  
10 convenient dates and now it reports that Mr. Le is on a leave of  
11 absence. If counsel for PcW withheld that fact from counsel for  
12 the FVT, shame on him; if counsel for the FVT withheld that fact  
13 from the court when the early June dates were requested, shame  
14 on her.

15 The court hereby ORDERS Mr. Le to be available within two  
16 weeks of the end of his June 27, 2022, leave of absence unless  
17 counsel for the FVT agrees to a later date. Counsel are to  
18 continue their meet and confer efforts to avoid duplication of  
19 Mr. Le's deposition. If it later turns out that PwC was  
20 dragging its feet, the court will order further desposition(s).  
21 If it turns out the FVT could have agreed to reasonable  
22 continuances but wouldn't, then there will not be any further  
23 deposition of Mr. Le.

24 **\*\*END OF ORDER\*\***

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